

NOTICE EARLY VOTING SCHEDULE

August 27, 2009 Special Primary Election
State House of Representatives • 62nd District

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**Early Voting Site
RUTHERFORD COUNTY ELECTION
COMMISSION OFFICE
#1 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE 103
MURFREESBORO**

**EARLY VOTING PERIOD
August 7 - August 22, 2009
Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, August 22, 8 am - 4 pm
Extended hours: Aug. 13, 17, and 20
8 a.m. - 7 p.m.**

**Please note the following information about:
*CHANGE OF ADDRESS, ABSENTEE VOTING,
POLLING PLACE ACCESSIBILITY, ELDERLY AND
DISABLED VOTING, EMERGENCY VOTING**

***CHANGE OF ADDRESS DEADLINE:** Voters who have moved within Rutherford County may change their address at the Early Voting Site or by sending a change of address in writing to the Rutherford County Election Commission Office, #1 Public Square South, Room 103, Murfreesboro, Tennessee no later than August 22, 2009.

***ABSENTEE BALLOTS:** The last day eligible voters may request an absentee ballot is August 20, 2009. Requests for Absentee Ballots must be in writing and signed by the voter. Voters may vote Absentee for the following reasons:

1. If for any reason other than imprisonment, the voter will be outside Rutherford County where the voter is registered during the early voting period and on Election Day.
2. If the person is a caretaker of a hospitalized, ill or disabled person.
3. If the voter is an election official, member or employee of the Election Commission on Election Day.
4. If the voter is observing a religious holiday.
5. A voter who possesses a valid commercial driver license and who certifies that the voter will be working outside Rutherford County where the voter is registered during early voting period and Election Day; and has no specific out-of-state location to which mail may be received during such time.
6. Students and spouses of students temporarily residing out of Rutherford County.
7. Voters requesting an absentee ballot may send a written request for an absentee ballot to the Rutherford County Election Commission with the following information by August 20, 2009.

- Name of Registered Voter
- The Address of the Voter's Residence
- The Voter's Social Security Number
- The Address to mail the ballot outside of the County
- The election the voter wishes to participate in
- The reason the voter wishes to vote absentee

- Request for absentee ballot must include the voters signature

POLLING PLACE ACCESSIBILITY: Voters who are unable to go to the polls or to the Election Commission Office on Election Day because of sickness, hospitalization, or physical disability may send a written request for an absentee ballot along with a physician statement to the Election Commission Office not later than August 20, 2009.

****Persons 65 years of age or older may either vote early by personal appearance or send a written request for an absentee ballot to be mailed to their home. Eligible voters desiring to vote absentee must submit their request not later than 7 days before the election (August 20, 2009).**

****Absentee ballot requests by eligible military personnel and/or their spouses must be received no later than seven days (August 20, 2009) at the Rutherford County Election Commission Office for processing.**

***ACCESSIBILITY TO THE DISABLED, ELDERLY:** Disabled voters or elderly voters (65 years or older) who might require the use of a wheelchair, walker, cane, crutches, or might require the use of a leg or back brace may vote at the Rutherford County Election Commission Office if they possess a physician's statement stating that in such physician's medical judgment, the voter is physically disabled in such a manner that renders such voter unable to go to such voter's polling place and vote. The affidavit must be received by the Rutherford County Election Commission at least ten (10) days before the first election in which the elderly or handicapped voter plans to vote at the election commission office on Election Day.

***EMERGENCY VOTING:** Eligible voters hospitalized within Rutherford County not more than twenty (20) days before the election (August 27, 2009) and no later than the opening of the polls on Election Day (7:00 am) may call the Rutherford County Election Commission at 615-898-7743 for voting assistance. Election Day requests for emergency voting must be received before 7:00 a.m. Additionally, eligible voters who experience a death of a relative which would result in the absence from the state or county on election day and can demonstrate reasonable proof to the Administrator of Elections, or deputy, shall be eligible to vote absentee by personal appearance at the election commission office, not more than five (5) days, nor later than the day prior to the election. The same eligibility would apply if a voter receives a subpoena or service of process requiring a voter's presence on Election Day.

NOTE: All appointments of Poll Watchers shall be in writing and signed by the candidate or organizations authorized to make the appointments. Poll Watchers must be seventeen (17) years of age by the date of the election. Names of Poll Watchers **AUTHORIZED BY CANDIDATE SIGNATURE** shall be submitted to the Rutherford County Election Commission no later than 12:00 (NOON) on the second day before the election, (August 25, 2009). Persons appearing at the polling place claiming to be poll watchers during the early voting period and on Election Day without proper authorization as listed above will not be allowed in the polling place. Authorized Poll Watchers must abide by procedures as established in TCA 2-7-104.

If you have questions regarding the above procedures or about the election process in general, please call the Rutherford County Election Commission Office at 615-898-7743. Election information is available on the World Wide Web at www.rutherford-county.org/election or by e-mail at election@rutherfordcounty.org.

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